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## TRANSMITTAL OF TERMINAL DISCLAIMER

Sir:

This is supplemental to the amendment dated October 4, 2001, and responsive to the Official Action dated July 5, 2001.

The only rejection remaining in the case is the rejection of claim 25 based on judicially created obviousness-type double patenting. Applicants submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer in order to obviate this rejection.

Since the rejection has been obviated by this submission, it is respectfully suggested that all of these claims should now be allowable. A notice of the merits is respectfully solicited.

The required fee of \$110 for filing a terminal disclaimer is enclosed herewith.

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